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SUBJECT: GDR CONTROLS ON TRANSIT TRAVEL

1. OCTOBER 3 ADN ITEM REFERRED TO OUTBREAK HOOF AND MOUTH
DISEASE IN TURKEY AND GREECE AND REPORTED INSTITUTION OF
CONTROLS BY GDR TO PREVENT ITS SPREAD, INCLUDING BAN ON
TRAVEL THROUGH ITS TERRITORY OF INDIVIDUALS COMING FROM
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INFESTED AREAS. ACCORDING ADN, MEASURES INSTITUTED BY

GDR ARE IN CONFORMITY WITH RECOMMENDATIONS OF INTERNATIONAL OFFICE FOR CONTAGIOUS ANIMAL DISEASES AND FAO.

2. WEST BERLIN PRESS ON OCTOBER 4 AND 5 REPORTED THAT GDR HAD TURNED BACK SOME 300 INDIVIDUALS WISHING TO USE TRANSIT ROUTES. APPARENTLY BECAUSE GDR CONTROLS NOT BEING ALTOGETHER UNIFORMLY APPLIED, THERE HAS BEEN SPECULATION THAT GDR USING DANGER OF CONTAGION AS PRETEXT FOR INTERFERING WITH SMOOTH FLOW OF TRANSIT TRAFFIC. FACT IS, HOWEVER, THAT IN VIEW OF GEOGRAPHIC CONCENTRATION ITS CATTLE AND PIG HERDS, GDR IS VERY SENSITIVE TO DANGER OF DISEASE SPREADING TO ITS AREA. SPRING 1973 HOOF AND MOUTH OUTBREAK IN AUSTRIA, CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND FRG LED GDR TO INSTITUTE STRICT CONTROLS ON IMPORTS OF ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS FROM THOSE AREAS. AT THAT TIME, HOWEVER, TRAVELLERS TO AND THROUGH GDR FROM AFFECTED AREAS WERE DENIED ACCESS ONLY TO STABLES AND OTHER LIVESTOCK INSTALLATIONS.

3. SENAT OFFICIALS HAVE INFORMED US THAT THEY ARE OBSERVING CLOSELY REJECTION OF TRAVELLERS AT FRG END OF TRANSIT ROUTES. THEY LOOKED TO FRG TO MAKE ANY REPRESENTATIONS TO GDR, BUT WERE CONCERNED LEST MATTER THAT WAS NOT EXPLICITLY ADDRESSED IN TRANSIT AGREEMENT BE UNILATERALLY INTERPRETED BY GDR, THEREBY SETTING PRECEDENT FOR REJECTION OF TRAVELLERS ON OTHER GROUNDS. IN THIS CONNECTION, POLICE REPORTS INDICATE THAT VEHICLE WITH GREEK DRIVER WAS REJECTED AT WEST BERLIN END OF AUTOBAHN OCTOBER 5 BECAUSE OF "TERROR SYSTEM IN GREECE", WHILE THREE VEHICLES WITH EIGHT TURKS WERE TURNED BACK SAME DAY WITH NO REASON GIVEN. IT HAS NOT YET BEEN POSSIBLE TO CHECK THESE REPORTS OUT OR TO DETERMINE FREQUENCY OF SIMILAR REJECTIONS, IF ANY, IN PAST. KLEIN

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